

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above preliminary amendment. Certain claims have been cancelled. As a result, Dr. Alexander de Vries is the sole inventor of the presently claimed subject matter.

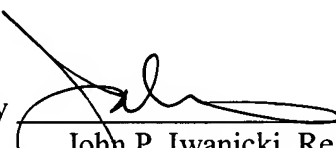
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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